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ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 046700-5004

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Mark ALAIA et al.

Application No.: 09/252,790

Filed: February 19, 1999

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
CONTROLLING CLOSING TIMES OF  
ELECTRONIC AUCTIONS INVOLVING  
MULTIPLE LOTS (As Amended)



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Group Art Unit: 2765

Examiner: J. PATEL

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM**

1. Transmitted herewith is an Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 responding to the final Office Action dated September 12, 2000.

2. Additional papers enclosed:

- ☐ Drawings: ☐ Formal ☐ Informal (Correction)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ Form PTO-1449, \_\_\_\_\_ references included
- ☐ Citations

3. Extension of Time

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

☐ Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

☐ Applicants petition for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 CFR § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below:

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Total Months Requested	Fee for Extension	[Fee for Small Entity]
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 390.00	\$195.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 890.00	\$445.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,390.00	\$695.00

Extension of time fee due with this request: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor.

- ☐ An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

4. Constructive Petition

- ☒ **EXCEPT** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

5. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid	Present Extra	at Rate of	Total Fees
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	19	minus	88	0	x \$18 each=	+ \$
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b))	5	minus	15		x \$80 each=	+ \$
<input type="checkbox"/> First presentation of Multiple dependent claim(s)					\$260.00	+ \$
SUB-TOTAL =						\$
Reduction by ½ for filing by a small entity						- \$
TOTAL FEE =						\$

6. Fee Payment

- ☒ No fee is to be paid at this time.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$640.00 for eight additional independent claims is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension of time fee or additional fee for claims due to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,

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